

## REMARKS

In accordance with the foregoing, claims 3, 12, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19 and 38 have been amended. Claims 3-27, 37 and 38 are pending and under consideration.

Using independent claim 3 as an example, this claim recites acquiring program guide information of accessible channels, including a currently tuned in channel and displaying the written program list to a user in response to the program guide command, simultaneously with the acquiring of the program guide information.

In contrast, Cuccia describes that the meaning of the expression when the tuner 103 is not used is when the TV-set is in stand-by mode or when the signal processor 104 is occupied with processing signals from the signal inputs 117 in column 4, lines 20-24. Further, Cuccia describes only that the examples of the signal inputs 117 are signals from a VCR or a camera (see column 3, lines 41-42). As can be seen from the Fig. 1 of Cuccia, the micro processor 102 for obtaining EPG information differs from the signal processor 104 for processing audio and video signals.

Mankovitz describes in column 6, lines 9-34 that the guide information can be decoded and stored in memory 752. The guide information can then be recalled later from memory 752 and displayed on television 14 via the on-screen display controller 756. Therefore, Mankovitz stores guide information before displaying the guide information.

Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejections is requested.

The remaining references do not overcome these deficiencies. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejections is requested.

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

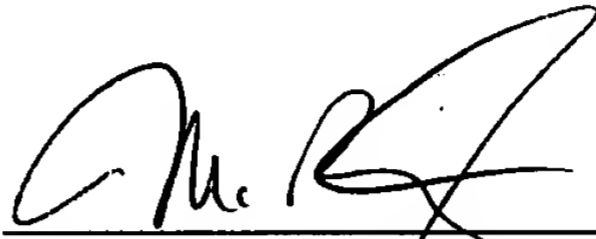
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Respectfully submitted,

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